

also known as Bryson Walk (S.R. 1321). Turn right again onto Everett Street (S.R. 1364) at the Great Smoky Mountain Railroad station.

In Bryson City, notice the monuments for Tsali, a Cherokee warrior who was executed in 1838 for resisting the removal of his Cherokee people from the Southern Appalachian Region, as well as Yonaguska, chief of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee who lived here in 1839.

From Everett Street, turn left at the Swain County Courthouse onto U.S. 19 North (Main Street). Follow about two miles and turn right onto Hyatt Creek Road (S.R. 1168). For the next three miles, follow Hyatt Creek Road as it parallels the Tuckasegee River just above its banks. At the stop sign, turn left to continue on Hyatt Creek Road.

Here, the byway passes through portions of tribal lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee, also called the Qualla Boundary. *Qualla* is a Cherokee word meaning "old woman" after an old Cherokee woman who lived on these lands. Established in 1838, it is the largest reservation east of the Mississippi with more than 63,000 acres.

Turn right onto U.S. 19 North after crossing the Tuckasegee River. Continue on U.S. 19 for about a mile, then turn right onto Old U.S. 19 (S.R. 1195), and cross the Oconaluftee River just above its junction with the Tuckasegee River. Follow Old U.S. 19 for nearly two miles into Jackson County where the state road number changes to 1531. The byway ends one mile later in the town of Whittier at the U.S. 74 intersection. The Waterfall Byway (pg. 18) is located to the south.



Length: 43 miles Drive Time: 1.5 hours Counties: Cherokee, Graham, Jackson and Swain